

REMARKS

This response places the above-referenced patent application in better condition for allowance, and therefore, is a proper response after Final pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Claim 32 is canceled.

Claims 48-50 are allowable.

Claims 31 and 33-46 are amended to depend from allowable independent claim 48, and therefore, claims 31 and 33-46 are in allowable form.

Claim 47 depends from allowable claim 46, and therefore, claim 47 is allowable.

Claims 34 and 38 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

New claim 51 is rewritten claim 34 as suggested above, and therefore claim 51 is allowable.

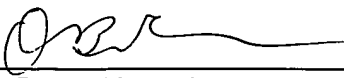
New claim 52 is rewritten claim 38 as suggested above, and therefore claim 52 is allowable.

All pending claims are now in allowable form.

This application is now believed to be in immediate condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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